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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Aircraft Loss Statistics

- 1. This morning I had a telephone conversation with Dr. Martin Bailey of OSD (Systems Analysis), Department of Defense. Dr. Bailey reported that Assistant Secretary McNaughton (International Security Affairs) had prepared a memorandum for Deputy Secretary of Defense Vance citing aircraft loss rates computed by ORR. Specifically, Mr. McNaughton used our loss rate in the Hanoi/Haiphong area during the recent raids. Mr. Vance noted that this loss rate differed from one prepared by the Defense Department and asked Mr. McNaughton to investigate.
- 2. The source of the difference was that the Department of Defense rate applied to all of Route Package 6, while the CIA figure applied to the Hanoi/Haiphong areas only. Dr. Bailey continued that he had drafted a memorandum to Mr. Vance for Mr. McNaughton's signature, explaining the difference and that CIA would receive a copy when it was signed. He considered the matter closed.

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